



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3187**
Hiraku KOMOTO : Docket No. 2001_0974A
Serial No. 09/899,064 : Group Art Unit 2653
Filed July 6, 2001 : Examiner Paul W. Huber
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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement contained in the Office Action mailed July 20, 2004, the period for response to which having been extended by one month to September 20, 2004, Applicant hereby elects species I, as shown in Figures 1-3. Claims 1-3 and 6-10 read on the elected species.

In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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